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## Via CM/ECF

Honorable Magistrate Judge Lois Bloom United States District Court Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: <u>Jean and Comack v. The Department of Education of the City of New York.</u>, 24-cv-2264 (LB)

## Dear Magistrate Judge Bloom:

I am an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Office of the Hon. Sylvia O. Hinds-Radix, Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, and represent Defendant, the Department of Education of the City of New York, in the above-referenced matter. I was just assigned to this case and write to respectfully request an extension to July 9, 2024, for Defendant to file its response to Plaintiffs' Complaint. The current deadline to respond to the Complaint is May 16, 2024, and this is Defendant's first request for an extension of time. This Office contacted Plaintiffs via letter (because Plaintiffs did not provide any contact information other than their addresses) to request their consent and/or position on Defendant's request but Plaintiffs have not yet responded.

The requested extension is necessary to permit this Office to investigate the allegations and prepare a proper response. Defendant thanks the Court for considering this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Plaintiffs (via regular mail)